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Dear Sir

Learning you were not  
in the city I leave a few lines for you, I am  
on my way to Ky. I was quite sick for a week  
before I left home and am now able to walk  
about here with change of climate I may  
keep well; all was in usual health when I  
left home, since I got here I learn Edward  
had gone down to the Martin place which I  
was glad to hear as the place has no use for  
the large surplus of hands now there and I  
fear they may get out of Provisions if all  
remain; I learn Edward carried me down  
some letters but Lucy & Melba have no idea  
when any came from I hope you ordered  
the sale of the cotton when it was worth  
from 50 to 52 cent but I fear you did not  
as you thought when I saw <sup>you</sup> <sup>last</sup> cotton  
would advance later in the season, I will  
write to the merchants in N York as  
soon as I get to Ky and say to them  
if they have sold the cotton and sent

you or me the safe Sales that they have gone  
to the Plantation and will request them  
to implicate me in the safe; as soon there  
after as I can I will send you a check  
on N York for the probable balance that  
will be coming to you, I am sorry I  
could not see you as I wished to talk  
with you about additional payment to  
the negroes other than the supplies already  
furnished them and I think we will yet  
have to do so if so it will defer the amt  
some for division between us

I am sorry I  
am unable to go out and see your family  
my kindest regards to them, I left with  
Lucy & McShee a package of 1000<sup>00</sup> in C.S.U,  
Bell did not collect the Taxes of 1864

Your friend

W. L. Field